GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Stalls/Booths at Stations
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of applications are under consideration of the Government regarding allocation of stalls and telephone booths at railway stations of various States of the country including Jharkhand, Assam and North Eastern States;
(b) if so, the details thereof along with the criteria fixed therefor;
(c) the latest position of these proposals; and
(d) the time by which these proposals are likely to be disposed of?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (d): About 3120 applications for allotment of stalls at the stations have been received by the Zonal Railways. However, as per provision of Catering Policy 2010, whenever there is a requirement of additional catering/vending facilities at any Railway station, Zonal Railways award the same (depending upon the category of stations and nature of units), by calling application/inviting tender through press notification, based on the eligibility criteria and merits of the applicants. In the new Catering Policy, 2010 in continuation of previous Catering Policies, the provision of 25% reservation in allotment of minor static unit at A, B & C categories and 49.5% reservation in allotment of minor static unit at D, E, & F categories of stations has been made with a view to protect the interest of socially backward and economically weaker sections of the society. Allotment of the stalls is an ongoing process. Regarding allotment of Telephone Booths, at present, no application is under consideration of the Zonal Railways.

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